May 10, 1950...

Dr. Wayne Umbreit, Merck Institute får Therapeutic Research, Rahway, New Jersey.

Dear Umbreit:

On one of your visits here some time ago, I think you mentioned having done some work on the factors needed for the adaptation of coli to formic hydrogenlysse. I am planning eventually to do some work on this adaptation, from the point of view of its genetic control. If there are any details on the nature of the cofactors that you have uncovered, and would care to mention, I would appreciate hearing them.

Might I also have the favor of receiving reprints of the papers by your group on the mechanism of streptomycin action?

Thanks very much.

Sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg